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Mail Stop Amendment

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of: Richard Martin Jacobson, et.al.

Serial No.: 10/645,431 : Group Art Unit: 1616

Filed: 08/21/2003 : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: Method to Inhibit Ethylene Responses in Plants

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**RESPONSE**

This is in response to the Official Action dated June 30, 2006 on the above-identified patent application. The response includes a Request for a one month extension of time to file the response. Claims 1-10 are pending. Claims 2-10 are withdrawn from consideration. Claim 1 is rejected and claims 2-10 are subject to restriction.

**REMARKS**

The instant application is a national filing of PCT patent publication WO 02/068367 (PCT/US02/06339). The application claims priority to three US provisional applications; 60/271,588, 60/271,590, and 60/271,591 all filed on February 26, 2001.

**Information Disclosure Statements**

Applicants are concerned regarding the statement in the Official Action regarding Information Disclosure Statements. Applicants have submitted two information disclosure statements for consideration by the Office. Apparently the Information Disclosure Statement dated April 1, 2004 was not considered by the Examiner.